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Dear Dr. Katzenstein:

I am delighted that you will be able to participate in the seminar on policy issues between the US and Western Europe in the 1980s that we are holding at CIA Headquarters in Langley on 18 September. We believe that what kind of relationship we may look toward with Europe will be among the most important questions the next Administration faces. We are eager to learn your perspective on the various elements that enter into that relationship, and I hope you will find of interest the issues we are pondering.

Attached is a summary of the questions we hope to address and a preliminary agenda for the seminar. We would propose to examine the first five main topics for an hour or so each during the morning and afternoon sessions. As we discussed, might I ask you, along with Dr. Ronald Inglehart, to lead off on the discussion of the prospects for "Europe" with a 15- or 20-minute statement? We would plan to devote the remainder of the hour to discussion. In the evening session, we will invite participants to relate their earlier remarks more directly to the policy issues that the evolving Atlantic relationship seems likely to pose.

As I believe I explained when calling you, the seminar will be attended by about twenty European specialists from the intelligence community, Department of State, and NSC Staff, in addition to the discussion leaders. The morning session will begin at 10:00, lunch will be served at 12:30, and cocktails and dinner beginning at 5:30. The evening session will end no later than 9:30. Might I have a note confirming your attendance by 8 September? If you are arriving on the 17th or staying over in Washington after the evening seminar, we will be able to pay you up to $50 per day (the standard US government per diem for Washington) for meals and lodging, in addition to travel costs and the usual consultant fee of $192.72. (An accounting form is enclosed.)

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Again, I am so pleased that you will be participating. Should you have any questions, please call collect at STAT

Yours sincerely,

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Acting National Intelligence Officer
for Western Europe

Enclosures:

Issues outline
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POLICY ISSUES BETWEEN THE US AND WESTERN EUROPE IN THE 1980s

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I. The shaping economic and social forces in Europe today and tomorrow

-- will the organization of production, the sharing out of the economic and social product, and economic management have the same overriding importance in the 1980s that they acquired in the 1970s?

-- in what ways will the dominating problems (inflation, low growth, access to resources and markets, structural obsolescence) and the potential new advantages (better conservation, new technologies, relative social tranquillity) look different, or, remain essentially the same?

-- what will be the dominant trends in the search for more effective approaches to these problems: reassertion of free market principles, social management, neo-corporativism, industrial democracy?

-- in what significant ways might new social (or cultural) trends impinge on economic management: e.g., aging populations and generational gaps, retreat from consumerism, quality of life movements, environmental enthusiams, etc.

-- what major divergences could appear among the Europeans as those trends unfold, and with what consequences? might traditional social and economic idiosyncrasies gain new vigor? how would Europeans respond?

II. The international context -- Western Europe's global interests and perspectives in the next decade

-- in what ways do we see the changing currents in Europe's internal situation translating into fewer, more, or a different set of interests abroad?

-- looking both backward and forward, do the Europeans see their evolving relationships with the rest of the free industrialized world becoming more competitive or more cooperative, or both?

-- how do the Europeans perceive developments in the US and in their relations with the US affecting the American dimension in global affairs: a declining but still preeminent factor, competitor but essential partner, recuperable manager of the international system, etc.?

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10:00-11:15	The shaping economic and social forces in Europe today and tomorrow Discussion leaders: Dr. Amitai Etzioni, Dr. Robert Lieber
11:15-12:30	The international context -- Western Europe's global interests and perspectives in the next decade Discussion leaders: Dr. Andrew Pierre, Dr. George Liska
12:30-1:45	Luncheon: Executive Dining Room
1:45-3:00	The security dimension -- alternative emphases in West European security policies Discussion leaders: Dr. Stanley Hoffmann
3:00-4:15	Emergent political trends in Europe in the 1980s Discussion leaders: Dr. Guido Goldman
4:15-5:30	The prospects for "Europe" -- what kind of Western Europe the US will be dealing with in the next decade -- how organized it will be in dealing with its own problems and with the US Discussion leaders: Dr. Ronald Inglehart, Dr. Peter Katzenstein
5:30-7:00	Cocktails and Dinner: Executive Dining Room
7:00-9:30	Potential areas of conflict and convergence between the US and Western Europe General discussion

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